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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

**COMPLETE LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:**

Claims 1-20 : (Canceled)

Claim 21 : (New) A serving platter, comprising:

- a) a plate; and
- b) a strap mounted on the plate and forming a loop into which a user's

hand is received to support the plate from below the same.

Claim 22 : (New) The platter of claim 21, wherein the strap is adjustably mounted on the plate.

Claim 23 : (New) The platter of claim 21, wherein the plate has at least one holder for holding an eating accessory.

Claim 24 : (New) The platter of claim 23, wherein the at least one holder includes a pair of projections on the plate and spaced apart to bound a space in which a utensil is clamped.

Claim 25 : (New) The platter of claim 23, wherein the at least one holder includes a set of staggered projections spaced apart to bound a channel in which a utensil is clamped.

Claim 26 : (New) The platter of claim 21, wherein the strap is made of a stretchable material.

Claim 27 : (New) The platter of claim 21, wherein the strap is made of a non-stretchable material.

Claim 28 : (New) The platter of claim 21, wherein the strap has a flat cross-section.

Claim 29 : (New) The platter of claim 21, wherein the strap has a circular cross-section.

Claim 30 : (New) The platter of claim 21, wherein the strap is elongated and has T-shaped ends.

Claim 31 : (New) The platter of claim 21, wherein the plate has a pair of collinear elliptical holes extending along a centerline of the plate, each T-shaped end of the strap being inserted into a respective elliptical hole.

Claim 32 : (New) The platter of claim 21, wherein the strap is elongated and has serrated ends.